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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State/Territory: Montana

ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

Procedures for Scheduling and Conduct of Standard Surveys

The State has in effect the following procedures for the scheduling and conduct of standard surveys to assure that it has taken all reasonable steps to avoid giving notice.

Unannounced surveys. The Department of Health and Environmental Science (DHES), as the survey agency, has developed an official policy through the Health Facilities Division to conduct unannounced inspections. A copy of that policy is attached.

Survey frequency. Additionally, DHES conducts standard surveys of nursing facilities using a master schedule developed around a 12-month average interval. This procedure gives DHES the necessary flexibility to schedule facility surveys based on the facility's compliance history or consumer complaints. Thus, surveys of problem facilities may be scheduled sooner and with less predictability than if a regularly scheduled annual survey were used.

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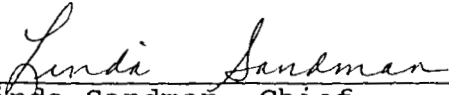
Subject: Unannounced Inspections

Policy: It is the policy of the Bureau to conduct all health care licensure and certification inspections unannounced, as required by Montana State Code 50-5-204 and HCFA SOM 2700.

Procedure:

All licensure and certification inspections will be unannounced unless special circumstances intervene.

If circumstances are encountered that would require an announced inspection, notify the Bureau Chief or Division Administrator.

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